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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAID, PFOR, IS, JO

SUBJECT: AGRICULTURAL TRAINING FOR WEST BANK ARABS

REF: (A) TEL AVIV 4089; (B) JERUSALEM 1061

1. WE DO NOT REPEAT NOT BELIEVE IT A GOOD IDEA TO INVOLVE OUR USAID PROGRAM FOR GOJ IN PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE AGRICULTURAL TRAINING TO WEST BANKERS, AS SUGGESTED IN REFTEL A. THERE IS NO PRECEDENT IN OUR AID PROGRAM FOR PROVIDING TRAINING ON WEST BANK THAT IS NOT ADMINISTERED DIRECTLY BY GOJ, INCLUDING CHOOSING OF CANDIDATES.

2. WE BELIEVE THAT THE ADDITION OF SUCH PROGRAMS UNDER GOJ SPONSORSHIP WOULD COMPLICATE MATTERS POLITICALLY. ALTHOUGH JORDAN AFTER RABAT CONFERENCE INDICATED IT WOULD CONTINUE ITS PREVIOUS PROGRAM ON THE WEST BANK (I.E. MUNICIPAL LOANS, OPEN BRIDGES, PAYMENT OF CIVIL SERVANTS SALARIES), WE THINK THE ADDITION OF A NEW PROGRAM AT THIS TIME, COULD BE MISUNDERSTOOD AS PRESAGING GREATER GOJ POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT ON WEST BANK THAN IS ANYONE'S INTENTION AND LAY THEM OPEN TO CHARGES OF VIOLATING SPIRIT OF RABAT WHICH THEY PRESENTLY VERY MUCH WANT TO ADHERE TO. MOREOVER WE THINK GOJ WOULD WISH TO PICK THE AGRICULTURAL TRAINEES WHICH COULD ALSO COMPLICATE THINGS POLITICALLY.

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3. WE AGREE WITH CONGEN JERUSALEM'S SUGGESTION IN  
PARA 2 REFTEL B, I.E. THAT AID GRANT BE ADMINISTERED  
THROUGH CONGEN JERUSALEM (PERHAPS FROM AID REGIONAL  
FUNDS) AS IS CASE WITH CU FUNDS.

4. BEFORE WE REACH A FINAL DECISION, WE THINK WE SHOULD  
INFORM THE JORDANIANS THAT THIS IS WHAT WE INTEND TO DO,  
INDICATING THAT IT IS MERELY THE BEST PRACTICAL MEANS OF  
MEETING THIS TRAINING NEED AND THAT IS IMPLIES NOTHING  
WITH REGARD TO OUR POLITICAL ATTITUDE REGARDING THE  
ULTIMATE STATUS OF THE WEST BANK.  
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